GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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OPENING OF LPG AGENCIES IN MUNICIPAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government had decided to open LPG agencies in municipality or Nagar Panchayat; areas; and

(b): if so, the time by which these agencies are likely to be opened?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a)&(b): As per the existing policy, the following criteria are adopted for setting up economically viable LPG distributorships in different parts of the country including Municipality/ Nagar Panchayat areas:

(i) All urban locations with a population of 10,000 and above by including potential of adjoining villages falling within the radius of 15 Kms.

(ii) Urban locations having population of 5,000 and above taking into account the potential of adjoining villages falling within 15 Kms radius.

(iii) Cluster of villages within 15 Kms radius of nucleus villages having a population of 10,000 and above.

(iv) Villages within 15 Kms radius around towns having population of 1 lakh and above.

The locations included in the Marketing Plans are advertised by the Oil Companies, and the selection of distributors is made by the Dealer Selection Boards as per prescribed procedure.It generally takes 6-12 months for commissioning the distributorships after the date of interview.